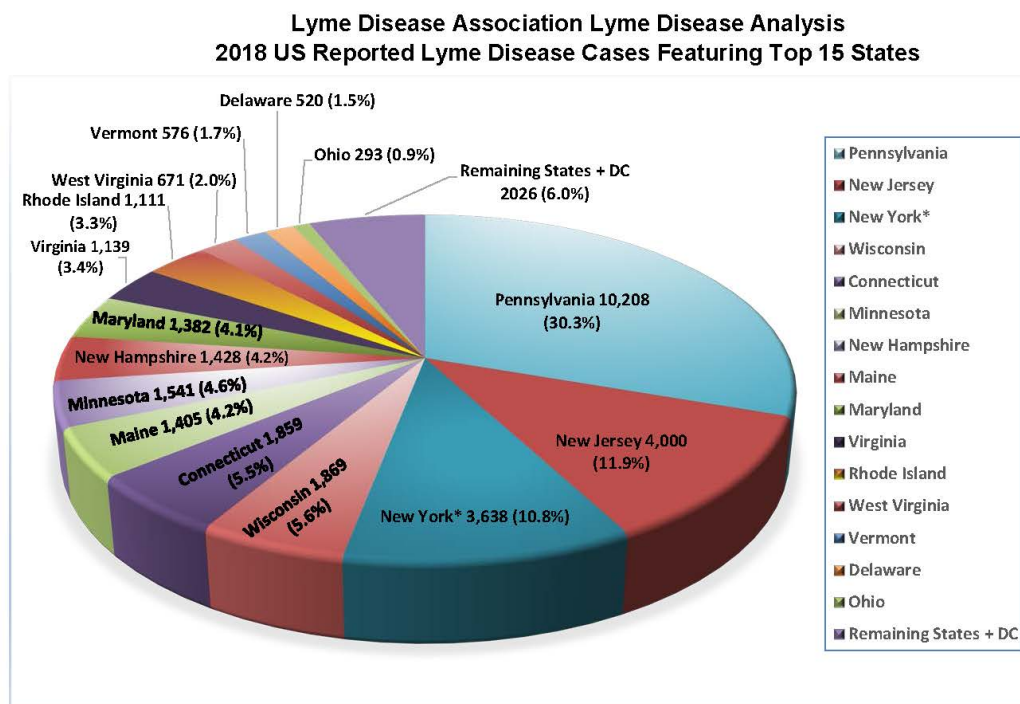


2018 Reported Lyme Cases – Top 15 States

The LDA has used CDC total reported Lyme case numbers (includes “confirmed” and “probable”) to create a pie graph of the 15 states in the US with the highest case numbers for 2018.



U.S. TOTAL CASES 2018: 33,666

Source data compiled from CDC pub. data (DVBD)

Note1: CDC adopted a change in case definition in 2008. In addition to “Confirmed” cases, the “Probable” category was reported out for the first time

Note2 : CDC has stated, and confirmed in 2013, that only 10% of Lyme disease cases meeting the surveillance definition are reported – for example, if 30,000 cases are reported, 300,000 cases occurred (number does not include all the cases falling outside the stringent surveillance case definition).

Note3: In 2016, MA changed reporting requirements and very few MA cases are now counted by CDC

*In recent years, an increasing number of NY Counties have used estimating to determine Lyme case numbers. The Council of State & Territorial Epidemiologists, in charge of surveillance, doesn't permit estimation to be reported by CDC in the national counts. In 2018, NY State reported it had 7,320 Lyme cases including those 30 estimated county numbers. CDC reported 3,638 Lyme cases for NY state, which excluded the 30 counties estimated numbers.



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